

**YESTERDAY'S WEATHER**  
U. S. WEATHER BUREAU  
April 25, 1918—Last Tuesday  
Four hours' rainfall 0.0  
Temperature, Min. 63; Max.  
78. Weather, Cloudy.

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**FOOD FORECAST FOR TODAY**  
One Wheatless and one Meatless Meal.

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## VAST ARMIES LOCK AS GERMANS HURL MASSES ON ALLIES

**Second Day of Titanic Struggle Ends With  
Little Gain Apparent For Any  
of the Belligerents**

**Germans Gain One Town and British Re-  
cover Another But Are Compelled  
To Yield Slightly At Points**

NEW YORK, April 26.—(Associated Press)—Night came on the second day of the fresh German offensive with the struggling armies holding practically the same ground as the hour of the initial attack. So far the Germans have been held and thrown back with tremendous losses.

The struggle has developed into a titanic battle, however, with the Germans throwing more and more men into the fray, and the issue still hangs in the balance.

On the northern side of the Armentieres salient, where the Huns have thrown four and possibly six divisions against the British on a seven-mile front, the British have been compelled to withdraw their positions slightly.

### BRITISH RETAKE TOWN

Further to the south, on the Amiens sectors, the British have evened this score by regaining the town of Villers-Bretteux, throwing the Germans back to their original lines, with the loss of many prisoners.

On the Amiens front, from Albert south to Moreuil, along which twenty-mile front the Germans have been ceaselessly attacking since Wednesday morning, they have made only one gain, that of the town of Hangard, which gain has advanced their line less than a mile. At all other points they have been thrown back, with the British and French artillery smashing up their attacks one after the other.

### GAINS NOT COMMENSURATE

On the north the Germans have concentrated their attack along the seven-mile front from Meteren to Bailleul to Wytschaete, bringing a force estimated as high as 150,000 men into the battle. Before the series of vicious attacks delivered by the British, reports Field Marshal Haig, have drawn slightly back, to stronger positions. The Germans are continuing their drive but are meeting with a stiffer resistance and are suffering heavily without securing any adequate gains.

On this front a particularly desperate effort is being made to capture Mount Kemmel, a prominent eminence four miles directly west of the Wytschaete hill. Against the British positions here the Germans have sent a great force of men especially trained in mountain fighting. The Tommies are holding on stubbornly, taking a frightful toll of the attackers and throwing back their successive efforts to advance up the slopes.

### CHAIN OF HILLS IS OBJECTIVE

It is now obvious that the Germans on this front are directing their attacks principally so as to gain possession of the chain of hills which dominate the positions now held by the Germans and from which, in turn, they could dominate the British positions between the present front and Ypres. The drives are centering against Wytschaete, Kemmel, Scherpenberg, Mont Rouge, Vidaigne and Mont des Cats.

From Albert to Castel, with the one exception of Hangard, the Allies met the German massed assaults with equal vigor and hurled them back repeatedly inflicting immense losses by the withering fire thrown into the massed ranks that flowed forward wave upon wave. Although compelled to fall back from Hangard the Allies did not retire fire and may be expected to resume the conflict for its possession today. This point, in the previous engagement on this sector changed hands repeatedly and is suffering a similar fate in the present engagement. Along this front the Allies have the advantage of holding higher ground and from these positions they are holding the enemy well in check. They are strongly posted and in yesterday's fighting clearly had the advantage.

It was reported early yesterday afternoon that Kemmel had been captured but no confirmation of this report was received.

Reuter's despatches reported that the British had regained practically the entire line east of Villers-Bretteux and that on the seven-mile front of the Meteren, Bailleul, Wytschaete line the Germans were using from four to seven divisions in a tremendous attack.

Yesterday's attacks by the Germans on the British front opened as early as two o'clock with a terrific barrage which lasted two hours and just before the break of day the infantry attack was launched, advancing to the attack in great waves. It was this early attack which caused the British to give some ground against the vastly superior numbers.

Last night Haig reported that between Bailleul and Wytschaete the Allies had been forced to withdraw to new positions at some points but that elsewhere the line had held steadily and repulsed all attacks.

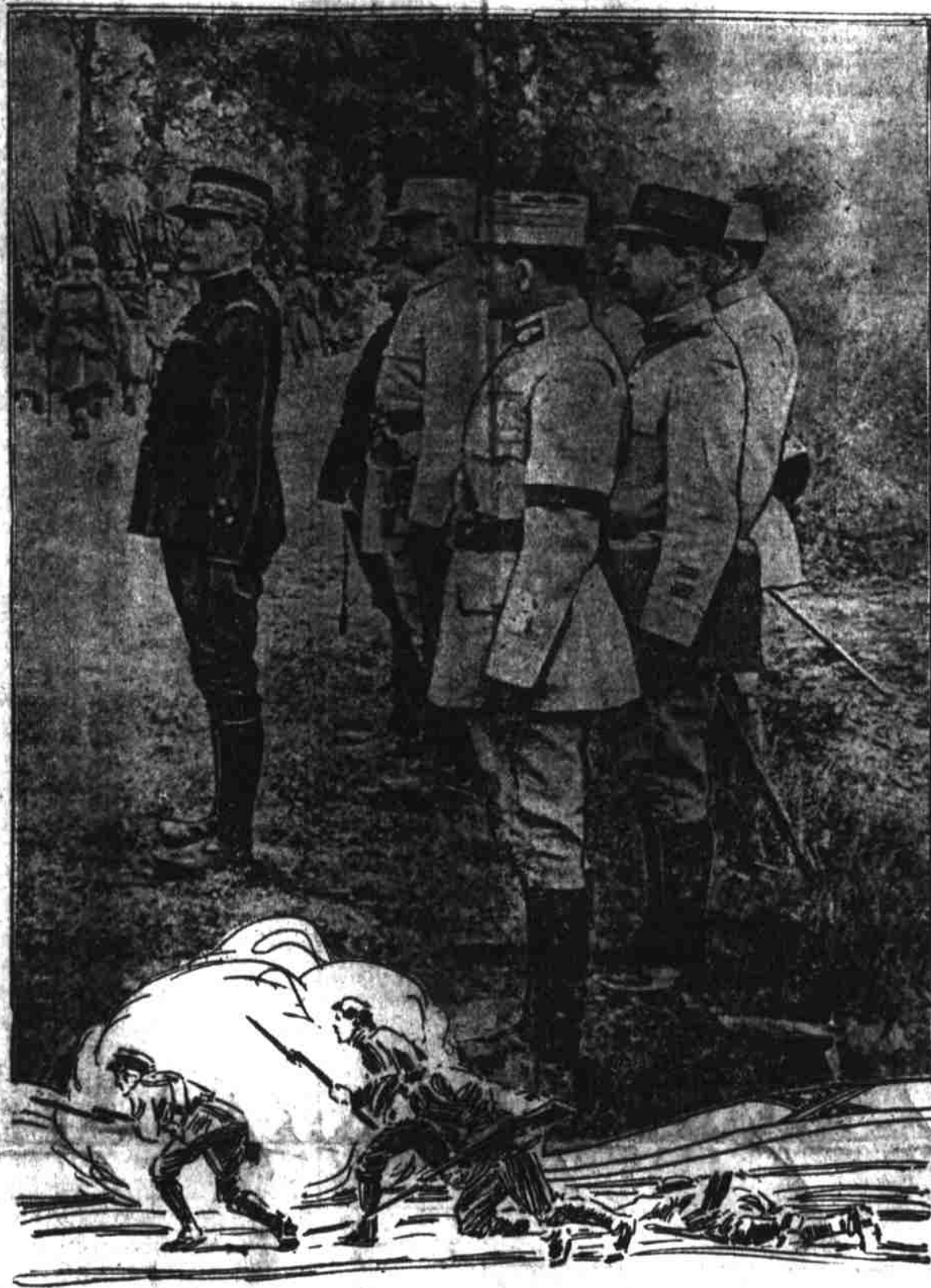
At Hangard it is believed American troops are engaged with the French and were compelled with them to fall back a little way from the town and this belief is given further weight by the report that 128 American wounded had reached the rear from the battle front in Picardy.

WASHINGTON, April 25.—(Official)—For the first time an official statement from the war department has definitely disclosed the location of American forces in the great battle. They are to the south of the Somme and on the Aisne River where they are participating with the French in the heavy combat which is raging in that sector.

The number of Americans who are thus engaged in those sectors and how long they have been occupying the positions which they hold have not been disclosed by the war department.

In the Toul sector there has been no activity other than by artillery since the recapture of the village of Seicheprey by the Americans.

**THE GENERALISSIMO REVIEWING HIS FORCES**—An unusual photograph of General Foch, the Allied supreme commander, with his staff, taken recently on the French front. The troops being reviewed are French poilus on their way to the front as reinforcements against the German drive.



## American Aviators Down Forty Hostile Machines

**This Is Record For Two Months:  
Honors Lie With Allies In  
Air Battles**

WASHINGTON, April 26.—(Associated Press)—In the aerial war fare success is with the Allied forces. Yesterday, according to an official despatch from London last night British aircraft dropped five tons of bombs upon the enemy. In the air fighting two hostile planes were dropped in combat and one was shot down by the infantry. The British losses were two.

New successes for American aviators are reported from Paris. On Tuesday Lufbery downed his eighth German machine and Baer brought his fifth to earth. An official count reports that American aviators have downed forty enemy machines in the last two months.

Complete severance from the signal corps of the air-craft service is freely forecast as a result of recent announcements of changes.

## LOSS IN KILLED AT SEICHEPREY SMALL

WASHINGTON, April 25.—(Associated Press)—Less than a dozen Americans were killed in the battle of Seicheprey April 20 in the Toul sector. Twenty were wounded. This would appear to bear out the German claim that 183 Americans were taken prisoner, as since the last previous official statement the American casualties are admitted to be 200.

**THREE BILLION REVENUE**  
WASHINGTON, April 26.—(Associated Press)—Secretary of Treasury McAdoo estimates that the return from income and excess profits or war taxes will exceed three billions of dollars.

## EXPECT TO EXCEED TWO BILLIONS TODAY

**Rallies Throughout the Country  
Will Swell Fund**

WASHINGTON, April 26.—(Associated Press)—On the eve of Liberty Day which is expected to be the climax of the present Liberty Loan drive, the total draw up to \$1,837,000,000 according to the reports issued by the central committee yesterday.

Confidence was expressed last night that the two billion dollar mark will be reached and left well behind when the results of the many rallies throughout the country today have been compiled.

## THREE DISTRICTS MAY EXCEED ALLOTMENTS

WASHINGTON, April 25.—(Official)—Certainly two and probably three of the Nation's twelve federal reserve banking districts have exceeded the minimum of their Liberty Loan allotment. The farming and other rural districts are especially responding liberally.

Many states, in accordance with proclamations by their governors issued on request of Secretary McAdoo and in accordance with the wishes of the President as expressed in his recent proclamation relative to Liberty Day, will observe holidays or half holidays tomorrow. The farming and other rural districts have been planned. In some of those states and in many of the cities and towns the committees are planning to run totals up to or over their quota before the day is over.

The campaign will formally and officially end on May 1 when the subscriptions will close.

## SPEAKER CHAMP CLARK WILL DECIDE TODAY

WASHINGTON, April 26.—(Associated Press)—Speaker Champ Clark will decide today whether or not he will accept the senatorship of Illinois which has been offered him by Governor Gardner. He told reporters last night that he had not reached a decision as yet but that he expected to do so today.

## Germans Outnumber Allies Along the Battle Front

**Deputy High Commissioner From  
France Urges This Country To  
Hurry Men To Aid**

WASHINGTON, April 26.—(Associated Press)—Another call for haste on the part of America in aiding the Allies more effectively in the great struggle on the Western front has come from France. This time it is voiced by Edouard de Billy, deputy high commissioner from France to the United States who reached this country on Wednesday and arrived here yesterday.

"Your duty is to see that America makes haste in all possible ways. Your country has done much for us but it is fighting men we need now. The Germans greatly outnumber the Allies in the great engagement that is now progressing. Let me urge upon you that this is the vital point, the critical period in our struggle."

## GOOD EXAMPLE SET BY CALIFORNIANS

SAN FRANCISCO, April 25.—(Official)—California is preparing to do its full part in wheat conservation so that as much as may be the entire wheat holdings of the state can be shipped overseas. Wheat bread was today voluntarily banished from the tables of all of the hotels and restaurants in the state until the next harvest.

## CARRYING OF ARMS IN IRELAND FORBIDDEN

LONDON, April 25.—(Associated Press)—General Mahon, commanding the troops in Ireland, has issued an order forbidding the carrying or possession of arms, ammunition or explosives in eleven Irish counties, and in the cities of Cork and Limerick, unless there is express authorization for such carrying.

## Steamer St. Paul Rolls Over Beside Her Pier

**American Liner Had Left Dry-  
dock With Many Workmen  
Aboard But Only Three Are  
Lost—Cause of Accident Is  
Not Explained**

ATLANTIC PORT, April 26.—(Associated Press)—Just off the drydock, the great American liner St. Paul, 5824 tons suddenly, and for reasons that are as yet unexplained, turned turtle today. She was returning from the drydock to the pier when the accident occurred. Aboard of her was a large force of workmen, between five hundred and six hundred and for a time it was feared there would be a great loss of life. There were rumors heard the loss was large but the figures were reduced and last night it was said that probably not more than three are dead.

Immediately after the accident a cord of soldiers was thrown about the pier at which the steamer was being berthed when she turned over and around the surrounding waterfront. Thus no one was allowed to approach the scene except those who were necessary to the work of rescuing the hundreds who were imprisoned in the great overturned hull.

She lay partly on her sides with her bow deep down and her stern high out of water. The fires under her boilers were quickly extinguished and the work of rescue went ahead. Rescuers boarded the hull and cut their way through.

An investigation of the accident was immediately started but as yet no results have been announced. Rumors were immediately heard that it was the work of enemy spies.

## NEW REGISTRANTS TO BE LISTED AT BOTTOM

**House Passes Legislation But  
With This Amendment**

WASHINGTON, April 26.—(Associated Press)—With an amendment which provides that when they are registered under the selective draft law those who have attained the age of twenty-one years since the passage of the first measure shall go to the bottom of the lists in the various classes to which they may be assigned, the new draft legislation passed the house of representatives yesterday. The measure is in different form from the one which was passed by the senate and will now go to a conference committee.

When this legislation finally is agreed upon and is approved by the President the call for the second draft is expected to quickly follow.

By putting the new registrants back in classifications it will enable the call to go ahead faster and avoid the necessity of delay until all of them shall have been registered and classified.

## WOMAN OPPOSING MAN POWER BILL ARRESTED BY BAY CITY POLICE

SAN FRANCISCO, April 25.—(Associated Press)—Department of justice agents today broke up a public meeting while the principal speaker, Mrs. Hannah Skeffington, an Irish woman, was speaking against Irishism in Ireland.

The department's agents forcibly removed Mrs. Skeffington from the platform. The audience showed much resentment and assumed a menacing attitude and the police sent in a riot call and brought out reserves to disperse the knots of angry men and women. Seat cores hung about the scene, threatening to rescue the woman.

The chairman of the meeting, William Short, was arrested and held but Mrs. Skeffington was later released.

## LOSS OF MUNITIONS BY BRITISH MADE UP

LONDON, April 25.—(Associated Press)—Winston Churchill, minister of munitions, announced in the house of commons today that all the losses of the British army in guns and ammunition during the three weeks of the present battle in France have already been made good.

The British lost approximately a thousand guns and four or five thousand machine guns as well as considerable ammunition.

## DAY'S CASUALTIES

WASHINGTON, April 25.—(Associated Press)—Today's casualty list from Europe contains 49 names. Two were killed in action, six died of wounds, four by accident, seven of diseases, one of other causes, five were severely and 24 slightly wounded.

## CHANNEL AT ZEEBRUGGE IS BLOCKED AND MADE USELESS

**Hun Submarines Will Have To  
Use Ostend Entrance For Several  
Weeks At Least**

**SILT WILL FURTHER  
FILL UP PASSAGEWAY**

**Kaiser Visits Scene In Haste and  
Views Wreck—American Ma-  
rines Are Lost**

LONDON, April 26.—(Associated Press)—Complete success attended the attempts against the Hun submarine bases at Zeebrugge, the Associated Press correspondent has learned from a high naval authority. Later observations made by air scouts have revealed the fact that the damage done to the enemy ports was more extensive even than was indicated by the earlier reports. That port is practically blocked both to ingress and egress.

### CHANNEL BLOCKED

As a result of the work of the naval fleet the Flanders submarine flotilla of the enemy will have to abandon Zeebrugge as a base and will be compelled to resort to the Ostend route when putting to sea. Late observations show that the channel is effectively blocked by the sinking of the cement loaded ships and as the German dredger was destroyed in the attack the result must be a speedy filling up with silt. Even with new dredgers put to work it will take the enemy several weeks, at least, to clear the channel so that it may again be available for the submarines. Then only a passageway can be cleared.

### KAISER IS THERE

A Reuter's despatch to Amsterdam from Berlin says that the Kaiser hastened to Zeebrugge to ascertain the damage that had been done by the Tuesday coup. He went on the mole and convinced himself that the damage to the railroad bridge had been temporarily repaired.

The Kaiser got hold of a captured marine whom he happened to pass and had him explain the battle to him.

Washington was informed last night that American losses at Zeebrugge were 278 marines of whom twenty-two enlisted men, two captains and six lieutenants are numbered as dead.

### AMERICAN RESCUERS

The populace is thrilled at the incident in connection with the Bruges raid of the rescue work of two American-built motor launches which took off 200 of the crews of two of the cruisers used to block the channel. The rescue was effected under heavy fire.

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## PEASANTS RISE AND TAKE UP THEIR ARMS

AMSTERDAM, April 25.—(Associated Press)—News has been received here of food uprising in the Ukraine. Peasants armed with machine-guns and shotguns, supported by returned soldiers, are demanding food and recently annihilated three squadrons of the fifth Polish regiment of Uhlans in Podolia.